HOUSE BILL 363

By Farmer

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2; Title 4; Title 16 and Title 17, relative to appellate court judges.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-4-112(a)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

After receiving the commission's panel or panels of nominees, but prior to making an appointment pursuant to subdivision (a)(1), the governor shall direct the Tennessee bureau of investigation or other appropriate agencies to perform appropriate financial and criminal background investigations and inquiries of the prospective appointees, which shall be completed within ninety (90) days of the governor's direction, and the governor shall review and assess the results of the background investigations and inquiries.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.